

# Indiana House of Representatives

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### **GOODIN BILL ADVOCATING MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEDGE IN SCHOOL PASSED**

INDIANAPOLIS -- Senate Bill 332, legislation co-sponsored by State Rep. Terry Goodin (D-Crothersville) that would require a daily opportunity for a student to voluntarily say the Pledge of Allegiance and observe a moment of silence in each public school classroom in Indiana passed out of the House of Representatives by a vote of 86 - 6 on Monday.

"I am very proud that the House saw the importance of this legislation and overwhelmingly voted for its approval," said Goodin.

A student can choose not to participate in either the pledge or the moment of silence.

The bill also states that each classroom must have a United States flag on display.

"This bill gives us the opportunity to teach our children the values of the community in which they live," said Goodin. "Schools are not only about educating our children for the workforce, but about educating our children for the future lives they will lead. A good, productive life is built on a strong base of morals and values."

Senate Bill 332 will now go to the governor for final approval.